

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Legislative Meeting  
LTBB Administration Building  
915 Emmet Street  
April 19, 1998  
9:00 a.m.**

**Closed Session:** One Closed Session was held

**Called To Order:** 1:12 p.m.

**Opening Ceremony:** Opening ceremony was conducted by Frank Ettawageshik

**Council Present:** Frank Ettawageshik, Alice Yellowbank, George Anthony, Shirley Oldman, Rita Shananaquet

**Council Absent:** Barry Laughlin, Michelle Chingwa

**Staff Present:** Dora Willis, Marcia Sutton

**Guests Present:** See attached list.

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**AGENDA:**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and was **Seconded** by Shirley Oldman to approve agenda as modified.

**Vote:** 5\_YES                      0\_NO                      0\_ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**MINUTES:**

**Motion** was made by Alice Yellowbank and was **Seconded** by George Anthony to approve minutes as corrected.

**Vote:** 5 YES                      0 NO                      0\_ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**BILLS:** None Presented

**Public Comment Opened at 1:28 p.m.**

Questions about the Trust Funds for children under 18 were presented. Accrued interest for the children not quite 18, will they have interest. Yes it is an individual interest account.

**Public Comment Closed at 1:30**

**ELDER'S PRESENTATION**

Letter from the Elder's presentation was made by Harriet Booth. Since preparing the letters, we have done a number of things. The senior luncheon was a success but there was not enough bread. Fifteen were anticipated but twenty five attended. Ric Mulholland picked up the food. Fred Harrington picked up more food as he didn't think there would be enough. The next time there will be an order food to serve twenty five people. Sue Wysocki and Dora Willis were there to serve and present the ANA program and serve food. Liz Gasco, Marilyn Williams, Walter and Vic Kishigo also assisted. Harriet stated that there was a need for a dishwasher and hot water heater. There is the possibility of having a dishwasher donated to us. Al Colby Jr. can do the hook up of the dishwasher.

There are twenty four submissions (release authorization) for pictures being taken, so no one will be expecting payment for the pictures. They are receiving more forms in daily from all over the state not just this area.

Tribal newsletter was received and the phone list for tribal offices was appreciated.

Marilyn Williams noticed that with the new facility to hold the senior lunches there was more room to move around.

Veronica Medicine stated at they didn't feel as though they are in the way, at the Health building parking was difficult.

1 A video on the Saulte Ste. Marie Tribe and their elder's program was viewed. This gave the elders  
2 encouragement on helping the Tribal Council and all programs. It was stated that if the Tribal Council needs  
3 assistance or any help they just need to contact the elder's.

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5 Margaret Wright stated that elders need to be more vocal on their experiences. They can teach the younger  
6 generation by sharing their experiences with them.

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8 Charles Parks Jr. will be present at the next senior lunch to talk on the cost of burial.

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10 There will be a meeting on Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> at Harriet Booth's home addressing the proper use of the sweat  
11 lodge, traditions, and gathering. George asked if this was for women only or can men attend.

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13 Shirley noted that when they were doing their mission statement for the Tribal Council they wanted to make sure  
14 that they reflected the respect for individual and their religion within the mission statement.

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16 Alice Yellowbank wanted the elder's to know that because they are not specifically noted in the constitution they  
17 are respected and thought of.

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19 A question was asked if 100 years from now we would be the same or would we all have blond hair and blue  
20 eyes.

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22 **RECESS CALLED AT 2: 04 P.M.**

23 **MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 2:09 P.M.**

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25 Tribal Council noted that the report noted in Law Enforcement should not have been included in the Tribal  
26 Administrators report, it should be part of the closed session. Alice Yellowbank stated that she had a real problem  
27 with the notation of "only the receptionist".

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29 **Motion** was made by George Anthony and **Seconded** by Rita Shananaquet to change the time of the Community  
30 Meeting to 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. instead of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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32 **Vote:** 5 YES                      0 NO                      0 ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

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34 **Motion** was made by Shirley Oldman and **seconded** by George Anthony to approve Plant and Moran for the  
35 Fiscal Year 97 Audit.

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37 **Vote:** 4 YES                      1 NO(Rita Shananaquet)      0 ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

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39 **Recess was called at 3:35 p.m.**

40 **Meeting was called back to order at 3:40 p.m.**

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42 **Motion** was made by Shirley Oldman and **seconded** by Rita Shananaquet to adopt the budget modification for  
43 Tribal Administrators budget to include a line item for training.

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45 **Vote:** 5 YES                      0 NO                      0 ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

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47 **Motion** was made by Alice Yellowbank and **seconded** by Shirley Oldman in support of Resolution 04199801 to  
48 support the ANA Grant for an Elders Program.

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50 **Vote** 5 YES                      0 NO                      0 ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

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52 **Motion** was made by Rita Shananaquet and **seconded** by George Anthony to support Resolution 04199802 for  
53 the Special Diabetes Grant

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55 **Vote** 5 YES                      0 NO                      0 ABSTAINED                      **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Rita Shananaquet and **seconded** by Shirley Oldman to support Resolution 04199803 for the 1998 In Med Science Program.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **seconded** by Shirley Oldman to accept the Tribal Administrators report with changes made to pages 1 and 2.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by **Alice Yellowbank** and **seconded** by George Anthony to support Resolution 04199804 for Weaving the future Project as presented at the Council Meeting.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **seconded** by Shirley Oldman in support of Resolution 04199805 to re-appoint Robin Gould to the Readmond/Friendship Park Committee and that it further be resolved that Frank Ettawageshik or Wesley Andrews be appointed as alternates to the Readmond/Friendship Park Committee.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Rita Shananaquet and **seconded** by Alice Yellowbank to support Resolution 04199806 that identifies those officials who are authorized to initiate financial transactions, obtain information, or give investment instructions.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **seconded** by **Alice Yellowbank** to approve the Natural Resource membership survey form pending review by Marianna Shulstad.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **seconded** by Shirley Oldman to appropriate \$100.00 from money collected from fishing license fees. The one hundred dollars will be used as prize money for a drawing to be held at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Fisherman's meeting. Winner to be drawn from the surveys returned to the Natural Resource Department.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Rita Shananaquet and **seconded** by Shirley Oldman to donate \$100.00 to the Little Traverse Historical Society in support of this years fundraiser.

**Vote:** 5 yes            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **seconded** by Alice Yellowbank to accept the Tribal Chairman's report as presented.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Alice Yellowbank and **seconded** by George Anthony to adopt the technical amendment to the judgement fund distribution plan as presented at this meeting.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Rita Shananaquet and **seconded** by George Anthony for adoption list A as presented.

**Vote:** 4 YES            1 NO(Alice Yellowbank)            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Rita Shananaquet and seconded by Shirley Oldman to adoption of membership list B as presented at this meeting.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Shirley Oldman and **seconded** by Alice Yellowbank for cancellation of enrollment number 2595 as one person had been issued two numbers.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **seconded** by Alice Yellowbank to adopt the 1998 Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow budget as presented.

**Vote:** 4 YES            1 NO(Rita Shananaquet)            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by Rita Shananaquet and seconded by George Anthony to approve training for Alice Yellowbank at the Indian Law Institute in Lawrence, Kansas.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **Seconded** by Alice Yellowbank for approval of a \$50.00 stipend for the Gaming Administration meetings.

**Vote:** 4 YES            0 NO            1 ABSTAINED(Shirley Oldman) **Motion Carried**

**Public Comment opened at 7:30 p.m. No Comment**

**Public Comment closed at 7:38 p.m.**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **seconded** by Alice Yellowbank to pay retroactive stipends for the Gaming Administration up to 5 meetings in the amount of \$50.00 each meeting.

**Vote:** 4 YES            0 NO            1 ABSTAINED (Shirley Oldman)            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **Seconded** by Alice Yellowbank to go into closed session at 7:48 p.m.

**Vote:** 5 YES            0 NO            0 ABSTAINED            **Motion Carried**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **Seconded** by Shirley Oldman to go out of closed session at 8:48 p.m.

**Open meeting resumes at 8:48.**

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **Seconded** by Rita Shananaquet to accept the Tribal Membership of number 2700 and 2701.

**Motion** was made by George Anthony and **Seconded** by Alice Yellowbank to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

1 **Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED Motion Carried**  
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3 **These minutes have been read and approved as written**  
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**Barry Laughlin, Tribal Council Treasurer Date**

**CLOSED SESSION 4-19-98**

Closed session: Started at 7:48

Issue of membership for two potential members. Enrollment list was given to tribal council for consideration. Information on the applicants was also submitted. After review of the files George then did not have any objections. Approval will be given during open session.

Concerns about the grievance time line. Laura in wanting to grieve against Marcia and then to Dora. Then to the personnel committee. George, was conflicted out. Franks concern is that the present policy conflicts every one out of the grievance process. Council feels that Laura's case should go to Tribal Court. George asked why don't we have a 30 day leave. Alice would like to hear all of the facts before it is decided that the case should go to tribal court.

Shirley believes that the council should get out of the personnel issues. Frank agreed that council needed to get out of micromanaging.

George we need to change the policy. Shirley agrees that council needs to get out of the firing process, members of the community approach them with why did you fire the person.

Alice agrees that council should not be a part of the process.

Laura approached Frank at the 3 kings supper wanting to discuss a personnel issue.

Laura was in on April 16 to deliver a grievance against Dora.

Council decided that Laura's grievance needs to be referred to Tribal Court. Frank is to call Laura Monday morning.

Out of closed at 8:48

Adjourn at 8:49